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**Easterling, Deborah**

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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2011 3:18 PM  
**To:** 'rick kay'  
**Subject:** RE: Duke Energy Rate Increase No 17% increase

Dear Mr. Kruska,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2011-271-E and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
Administrative Assistant

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**From:** rick kay [<mailto:rickeynd1@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2011 11:16 AM  
**To:** Contact  
**Subject:** Duke Energy Rate Increase No 17% increase

To: Members of the Commission

Re. Duke Energy Pending 17% Rate Increase

Duke Energy's pending request for a 17% residential rate increase is excessive in light of the widespread and substantial downturn in the economy.

I cannot afford a 17% increase in light of gas and food increases in the last year.

How can the CEO of Duke Energy make over 8 million dollars currently?

**With SC unemployment and underemployment at the 15-20% range**, now is not the time to grant a 17% increase.

Please listen to the people for once rather than the lawyers and lobbyists.

Sincerely

Rick Kruska